

# Become Hospice Medical Director Certified®

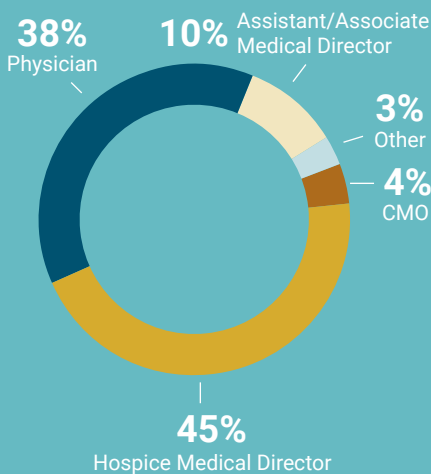
## HMDCB BY THE NUMBERS

OVER

# 1,100

PHYSICIANS CURRENTLY  
CERTIFIED ACROSS THE COUNTRY

## PRIMARY POSITION OF HMDCB CERTIFICANTS



I recommend this certification to all my colleagues as it shows your commitment to hospice care. Additionally, with the HMDC credential, employers will see you as a serious candidate as well as a leader.

*Amjad Riar, MD FACP FAAHPM FAAPL HMDC CPE*

I believe HMDC board certification is an important way that we can meet our responsibility as a profession to ensure that the hospice physicians who are being given this precious trust have the proper training and skill to support patients and their families along their sacred journey.

*Michael Nisco, MD MBA FAAHPM HMDC*

Earning the HMDC® credential through the Hospice Medical Director Certification Board (HMDCB) shows your patients, families, colleagues, and employers your commitment to professional development and excellent clinical care.

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS/PATHWAYS

**As a candidate you must meet the following requirements:**

- Hold a current, unrestricted license to practice medicine in the United States, U.S. territories, or in Canada
- Conform to HMDCB's Code of Professional Conduct
- Demonstrate a minimum of 400 hours of broad hospice-related activities during the previous 5 years.

**Once you have determined your eligibility, choose ONE of the following pathways:**

- Practice Pathway: 2 years of work experience in a hospice setting during the previous 5 years
- Certification Pathway: Current, valid board certification in hospice and palliative medicine through the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) or the American Osteopathic Association (AOA)
- Training Pathway: Successful completion of a 12-month clinical hospice and palliative medicine training program accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) or AOA.

For more information, visit [HMDCB.org/eligibility](https://www.hmdcb.org/eligibility).

## INITIAL CERTIFICATION EXAM CYCLE DEADLINES

<b>January 11, 2022</b>	Online application cycle opens
<b>March 22, 2022</b>	Last day to submit an application without a late fee (save \$250 in late fees)
<b>April 26, 2022</b>	Final deadline to apply for the 2022 initial certification examination
<b>May 16– June 10, 2022</b>	Examination testing window

To submit your application, visit [HMDCB.org/apply](https://www.hmdcb.org/apply).



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